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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: PUERTO RICO

A) KINSHASA 2260 B) STATE 49330

AS FOLLOW UP TO PREVIOUS APPROACHES ON PUERTO RICO
(REF A) POLCOUNS HAD OCCASION QUERY DIRECTOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS,
FONAFFS, KALONJI ON WHEHTER HE AWARE OF PROBLEM. KALONJI REPLIED HE
FULLY BRIEFED AND ASSURED POLCOUNS ZAIRIAN DELEGATE COULD NOT
HAVE TAKEN POSITION ON ISSUE AT LIMA SINCE IT NOT CONSIDERED
IMPORTANT QUESTION FROM GOZ VIEWPOINT, BEING MATTER IN ANOTHER
HEMISPHERE. HE FURTHER AFFIRMED THAT, FOR SIMILAR REASON,
GOZ DELEGATION WOULD NOT BE TAKING POSITION ON MATTER AT UP-
COMING COLOMBO MEETING. CONSENSUS APPROACH TO MAKING DE-
CISIONS, HE MAINTAINED, IS NOT SAME AS ACTUAL VOTE AND LEAVES
GOZ WITH SOME FLEXIBILITY FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS IN OTHER FORA,
NOTABLY UN. HE SAID CRUCIAL PERIOD WILL BE WHEN PUERTO RICO
DISCUSSED IN UN WHERE VOTE LIKELY TAKE PLACE. WHEN ASKED WHAT
GOZ WOULD DO UNDER THOSE CIRCUSTANCES, KALONJI REPLIED HE
EXPECTED AN ABSTENTION, SUBJECT "OF COURSE TO FURTHER US
REPRESENTATIONS". POLCOUNS NOTED THIS VERY LIKELY
POSSIBILITY.

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